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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)

This is a request for reconsideration of the Decision on Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), which was mailed on 21 August 2001.

Accompanying this Renewed Petition is a Petition for a Four-Month Extension of Time, with the required fee.

There are eight inventors in this application, all of whom have assigned their rights to Reckitt & Colman France (now by change of name, Reckitt Benckiser France).

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Three inventors have signed Declarations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63. Three inventors cannot, after diligent effort, be reached. Two inventors have refused to sign. The situation with respect to each of these inventors is as follows:

David Acher

Enclosed is a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by David Acher on 3 October 2001. This document complies with all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.63.

Annick Canelas

A proper Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 was sent to Annick Canelas on 3 October 2001 and was delivered to the manager of her apartment building on 10 October 2001. Ms. Canelas has confirmed receipt of the Declaration, but has refused to sign it. Accompanying this Petition are a Declaration of Ms. Amanda J. Wilde regarding the transmittal and a Declaration of Ms. Christelle Leboucher-Madec regarding the refusal of Ms. Canelas to sign. The current address of Ms. Canelas is:

53, rue de Voves
F-28630 Le Coudray
France

Gerd Dahms

Enclosed is a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Gerd Dahms on 4 October 2001. This document complies with all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.63.

Hubert Delagneau

Enclosed is a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Hubert Delagneau on 22 November 2001. This document complies with all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.63.

Sarah Desmots

On 3 October 2001, a proper Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 was sent to Ms. Desmots at her last known address. It was returned as undeliverable.

Accompanying this Petition is a Declaration from Ms. Amanda J. Wilde attesting to the facts and circumstances of the transmittal of documents to Ms. Desmot and of their return. Ms. Desmot's last known address is:

4, rue de la Fulda
F-28100 Dreux
France

Bruno Guillaume

On 3 October 2001, a proper Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 was sent to Bruno Guillaume at his last known address. On 4 November 2001, Mr. Guillaume confirmed receipt of the Declaration but he has not yet signed said Declaration. In further communications between Mr. Guillaume and the Group Patents Department of Reckitt Benckiser plc, Mr. Guillaume said he would not sign the document until certain legal problems between him and Reckitt Benckiser France are resolved. On 14 February 2002, the undersigned attorney discussed this matter by telephone with Mr. Guillaume who confirmed that he would not sign the Declaration at this time. Enclosed are a Declaration from Ms. Amanda J. Wilde, and a Declaration from the undersigned attorney. The current address of Mr. Bruno Guillaume is

36, rue de Bazeilles
F-33400 Talence
FRANCE

Philippe Ledon

On 3 October 2001, a proper Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 was sent to Mr. Ledon at his last known address. It was returned as undeliverable. Attached hereto is a Declaration from Ms. Amanda J. Wilde attesting to the facts and

circumstances of the transmittal of documents to Mr. Ledon and of their return.

Mr. Ledon's last known address is:

5, Les Hauts du Château
F-28300 Saint Prest
France

Séverine Poette

On 3 October 2001, a proper Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 was sent to Ms. Poette at her last known address. It was returned as undeliverable. Attached hereto is a Declaration from Ms. Amanda J. Wilde attesting to the facts and circumstances of the transmittal of documents to Ms. Poette and of their return.

Ms. Poette's last known address is:

Les Berges de l'Avre
1877, rue de l'Abreuvoir
F-27320 Nonancourt
France

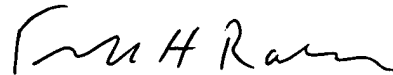
CONCLUSION

In view of the attached Declarations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), it is requested that this Application be permitted to proceed with Rule 63 Declarations of David Acher, Gerd Dahms and Hubert Delagneau, and that these Declarations be regarded as having been made on behalf of the declarants and the non-signing inventors.

The Decision on Petition dated 21 August 2001 indicated that there would be no fee for filing this Renewed Petition. However, if there are any other fees, they should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 21, 2002



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